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1. (U) SUMMARY. WE ARE SENDING THIS MESSAGE FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE DEPUTIES MEETING TO BE HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 3. IT PROVIDES MORE DETAILED INFORMATION ON PROVIDING IMMEDIATE ASSISTANCE FOR PIPELINE SECURITY, A CONCEPT THE DEPUTIES HAVE ALREADY APPROVED. FY-02 FUNDS WILL NEED TO BE USED FOR THE PROPOSAL BELOW. WE BELIEVE THIS OPTION WOULD BE A USEFUL FIRST STEP FOR EITHER OF THE OPTIONS THE DEPUTIES SELECT. WE ASK THAT THE DEPUTIES ENDORSE THIS MODEST PROGRAM.

2. (S) CONTINUING ATTACKS ON COLOMBIA'S ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE, ESPECIALLY THE CANO-LIMON PIPELINE IN THE PROVINCE OF ARAUCA, REPRESENT A THREAT TO U.S. INVESTMENT AND U.S. ENERGY SECURITY. FOLLOWING A NOVEMBER 26-30 PLANNING CONFERENCE ON PIPELINE SECURITY WITH THE COLOMBIAN MILITARY, WHICH ALSO INCLUDED REPRESENTATIVES OF SECRET

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THE

NATIONAL POLICE AND THE COLOMBIAN ENERGY SECTOR, EMBASSY COUNTRY TEAM HAS EXAMINED PROPOSALS THROUGH WHICH THE USG MIGHT ASSIST THE GOC IN PROTECTING THE PIPELINE. WE BELIEVE THAT

IMMEDIATE TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT NEEDS COULD BE MET WITH USD 15 MILLION IN

FY-02 FUNDING, AND WISH TO IMPLEMENT SUCH A PROGRAM ASAP, I.E., WITHIN WEEKS. POST IS SEPARATELY ATTEMPTING TO PROGRAM FY-02 "RULE OF LAW" MONEY TO ASSIST NATIONAL POLICE UNITS IN

THE AREA OF THE PIPELINE. WE ARE DEVELOPING AN ATA PROGRAM TO TRAIN POLICE

AND ARMY IN PIPELINE SECURITY, ALSO FOR FY-02. WE HOPE TO BEGIN A SERIES OF JOINT EMBASSY/SOUTHCOM ASSESSMENT TEAM VISITS THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 10. END SUMMARY.

TERRORIST ATTACKS ARE INCREASING  
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3. (S) ATTACKS BY TERRORIST GROUPS ON COLOMBIAN ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE SERIOUSLY UNDERMINE MAJOR U.S. PRIVATE SECTOR INVESTMENTS IN COLOMBIA (REFTELS). THEY ALSO POSE RISKS TO COLOMBIA'S OVERALL FINANCIAL HEALTH, AND HENCE ITS ABILITY TO COOPERATE WITH THE USG ON OUR COUNTERNARCOTICS AND OTHER GOALS HERE. BY INTERFERING WITH THE SUPPLY OF OIL TO THE U.S., THEY ALSO AFFECT U.S. ENERGY SECURITY.

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EMBASSY IS PUSHING FOR AN  
ENHANCED GOC EFFORT, AND WORKING FOR BETTER COORDINATION WITH OCCIDENTA  
L PETROLEUM AND COLOMBIAN PARTNER ECOPEPETROL.

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6. (S) IT IS IMPORTANT TO BEGIN AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. OUR FY-02 REQUEST  
FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS TOTALS USD 15 MILLION.

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9. (S) WITH TRAINING, PERSONNEL, AND EQUIPMENT WHICH WE COULD FUND OUT OF THIS AMOUNT, WE COULD BEGIN TO ENHANCE THE CAPACITIES OF THE 18TH BRIGADE, THE MARINE RIVERINE BATTALION, AND THE CNP.

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10. (S) ALSO FOR FY-02, WE ARE DEVELOPING, UNDER THE ATA PROGRAM, WHICH IS

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LONG-ESTABLISHED AND WELL-ACCEPTED IN THE U.S. CONGRESS, A COURSE ON PIPELINE PROTECTION MODELED AFTER ONE USED IN THE OLD SOVIET REPUBLICS. THIS WOULD BE FOR BOTH POLICE AND MILITARY.

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THE GOC IS PROVIDING INCREASED SUPPORT  
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18. (S) THE COLOMBIAN MILITARY HAS INITIATED THE PROCESS OF HUMAN RIGHTS CERTIFICATION FOR THE 18TH BRIGADE. INITIAL EMBASSY REVIEW INDICATES THAT THE 18TH BRIGADE HAS A GOOD HUMAN RIGHTS RECORD. THE COLOMBIAN RIVERINE UNITS HAVE ALREADY BEEN VETTED. WE HOPE FOR THE MOST RAPID TURNAROUND POSSIBLE ON HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING REQUESTS TO ENSURE THAT ENHANCEMENT CAN BEGIN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

19. (U) WE ARE SENDING SEPTTEL A MORE DETAILED CABLE PRESENTING LONGER-TERM OPTIONS FOR PIPELINE PROTECTION STEMMING FROM THE NOVEMBER 26-30 COLOMBIA-U.S. PLANNING CONFERENCE ON PIPELINE SECURITY.

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